(d) whether there is provision of foreign participation in these companies, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) in May, 2001 Defence industry sector, which was hitherto reserved for the public sector has been opened upto 100% for Indian Private Sector participation with Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), permissible upto 26% both subject to licensing. The Indian Private Sector can now manufacture all types of defence equipment under license. So far the Private Sector was involved in the supply of raw materials, semi-finished products, parts and components of defence equipment.

2. Guidelines have been issued by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion in January, 2002 in consultation with the Ministry of Defence regarding the modalities for consideration of applications of Private entrepreneurs for grant license. Although a few applications have been received, no private company has as yet commenced manufacture of arms and ammunitions.

3. The following stipulations have been made in the guidelines regarding the sale of arms and ammunitions manufactured by the Private entrepreneurs:—

Arms and ammunitions produced by the private manufacturers will be primarily sold to the Ministry of Defence. These items may also be sold to other Government entities under the control of Ministry of Home Affairs and State Government with the prior approval of the Ministry of Defence. No such item should be sold within the country to any other person or entity. The export of manufactured items would be subject to policy and guidelines as applicable to Ordnance Factories and Defence Public Sector Undertakings. Non-lethal items would be permitted for sale to persons/ entities other than the Central or State Governments with the prior approval of the Ministry of Defence.

Assistance provided to kith and kin of deceased soldiers

†780. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of soldiers of different categories died in various

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border posts and terrorists affected areas during last one year till 30th June, 2002;

(b) the details of assistance provided by Government to the kith and kin of each jawan soldiers died;

(c) the number of dependent of said deceased soldiers to whom jobs have been given alongwith the number of pending cases for providing jobs in this regard; and

(d) by when jobs and other assistance would be provided to the dependents of all deceased soldiers?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) As per records available in Army Headquarters the number of Army personnel killed during the last one year (1 July, 2001 to 30th June, 2002) is as under:—

Officer	JCO	OR	Total
31	50	554	635

2. A Comprehensive welfare package has been worked out and implemented for next of kin of soldiers killed in enemy/terrorist action. These include, *ex-gratia* of Rs. 7.50 lakhs, Liberalished Family Pension, Gratuity, which depends upon the number of years of service subject to a minimum of Rs. 3.5 lakhs and Army Group Insurance Fund Benefits as applicable. Besides, before an amount of Rs. 30,000 from Army Central Welfare Fund is paid to the next of kin of personnel killed after 1.5.1999.

3. All dues as applicable to the next of kin of deceased battle casualties of soldiers are being paid on completion of necessary documentation and on meeting of legal requirements.

4. Number of dependents enrolled under instant enrolment in Army during last three years are as follow:—

(a) 1999-2000	—	29
(b) 2000-2001	—	31
(c) 2001-2002	—	32

Requisite details regarding compassionate Civil Appointment in lower formation in Army are not readily available.

5. No time-frame can be indicated for providing jobs and other assistance to the dependents of all deceased soldiers.

Hindi journals published by IDSA

781. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis (IDSA) is bringing out any journal in Hindi;

(b) if so, whether it is being published regularly;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether IDSA is getting any funds from the Government of India; and

(e) if so, whether IDSA would be asked to promote use of Hindi in its publications?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Most of the IDSA publications (except Strategic Analysis and Strategic Digest) are 'event' based publications. Hence depending on the importance of the event, special issues are published in Hindi. Recently, IDSA published a special issue in Hindi on 'Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf's Agra visit'.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) IDSA encourages the use of the Hindi as per existing Government guidelines.

Action taken against Army Officers involved in Tehelka Affairs

†782. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the military officers against whom legal action has been taken with regard to Tehelka case; and

(b) whether Government propose to bring out a list of such corrupt military officers before the public?

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